



75TH RANGER REGIMENT

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

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COL. PAUL J. LACAMERA

Commanding Officer / 14th colonel of the regiment

Assumed command on July 8, 2005

Col. Paul LaCamera is from Westwood, Mass. He was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Army's infantry branch upon graduation from the U.S. Military Academy in 1985. His past assignments include: rifle platoon leader and rifle company executive officer for 3d Battalion, 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment, Fort Bragg, N.C.; rifle platoon leader, support platoon leader, and assistant S4 for 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Hunter Army Air Field, Ga.; company commander, 4th Ranger Training Battalion, Fort Benning, Ga.; liaison officer, 75th Ranger Regiment; company commander, S-3 air, and liaison officer, 2d Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Lewis, Wash.; operations officer, 1st Battalion, 506th Air Assault Infantry, Camp Greaves, Korea; operations officer and executive officer, 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment; operations officer, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Ga.; commander, 1st Battalion, 87th Infantry, Fort Drum, N.Y.; and commander, 3d Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Ga.

Col. LaCamera has participated in a number of contingency operations including Operation Just Cause, Panama, 1989-90; Operation Uphold Democracy, Haiti, 1994; and Operation Enduring Freedom, Afghanistan, 2001-2002, 2004.

Col. LaCamera has earned a Bachelor of Science degree from the U.S. Military Academy and a Master of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College. His military education includes Infantry Officer Basic Course and Infantry Officer Advanced Course, the Army Command and General Staff College, and the Naval War College.

Col. LaCamera's awards and decorations include the Silver Star, Bronze Star Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, Meritorious Service Medal with Silver Oak Leaf Cluster, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, Army Achievement Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal with Arrowhead and one Service Star, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal with Arrowhead and the Valorous Unit Award. He has been awarded the Combat Infantryman's Badge with 2nd Award Star, Expert Infantryman Badge, Master Parachutist Badge with Combat Jump Bronze Star Designation, Pathfinder Badge, and the Ranger Tab.

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